



The City of DEVENTER. 'Het Baken' (The Beacon) is part of Deventer's vinex area Vijfhoek, a residential development dominated by two and three-storey houses. This Apartment block has the appearance of a boulder. It is an asymmetrical cube with a skin of slate and provides space for 22 apartments and a Day-Care Centre. More on the city of Deventer on pages 18 & 19 of this magazine.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months and the information given may not always be accurate and could be subject to change.
For up-to-date accurate information, **always** refer to the larger function advertisements inside this paper or the posters displayed in the clubhouse.

Upcoming Functions in Neerlandia or in other venues as shown:

Sunday 3 June	<u>"Private Member's Party"</u>	
Thursday 7 June	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Sunday 10 June	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Sunday 17 June	<u>"Sunday Brunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost \$12.00	
Thursday 21 June	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Friday 29 June	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.30pm—9.00 pm
Saturday 30 June	<u>"Private Party"</u> (to be confirmed)	
Sunday 1 July	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Thursday 5 July	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Sunday 15 July	<u>"Winter Variety Concert"</u>	12.30 pm
	Doors open 11.00 am	
	Cost: Members \$10.00	
	Guests \$12.00	
	(for more details see advertisement on page 11)	
Thursday 19 July	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Friday 27 July	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.30pm—9.00 pm
Thursday 2 August	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Sunday 5 August	<u>"Sunday Klaverjas Drive"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$ 7.00	
Thursday 16 August	<u>"DJVV Club"</u> (Fortnightly)	<i>Shop open</i>
Sunday 19 August	<u>"Sunday Brunch"</u>	<i>10.00 am</i>

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Private Members Parties:

For bookings of Private Members Parties or information that is not in this magazine, please phone:
Gerry Creemers on: 9356 4207 or Lianna Parker on: 0419 181 154
Costs for using our Clubhouse facilities are:
Use of Hall \$275.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Lounge \$100.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Kitchen \$100.00 (Incl. GST)

Dear members,

I am over the moon and the reason for this euphoric feeling is in the first place the fantastic result of the April End of the Month Drinks, when we celebrated “Oranje Dag”.

We had close to 210 people who turned up and at one stage people were queuing up in the car park to get into the clubhouse Lounge.

Quick action was needed and the main hall, which had already been set up for Sunday’s “Koninginne Dag”, was re-arranged and made available and we had to open the bar in there as well.

It is not only the success of this evening that is important, but the vision shown by the Committee to commence with the End of the Month Drinks. A feather in the cap of those Committee members that believe in the concept and who are always present on these nights.

The second achievement was another step in the ongoing upgrade of the Children’s Paradise. One only needed to see the 30+ children enjoying themselves in their area while playing all sorts of games.

And the third achievement was the setting up of a Herring Stall in the Lounge, this was also a winner. This stall was not only a successful seller of Herring, but it created a real Dutch atmosphere.

It was manned by committee members and volunteers dressed in traditional Dutch costumes. It is our intention to leave the stall as a permanent fixture in the main hall until someone can convince us that this area can be put to better use.

A great effort all around and a big thank you for all those Committee members and hard-working volunteers that put so much work into this.

The Shop is going into the 20th Century:

The Committee has decided that the shop is going to get electronic record keeping with the use of a scanner at the point of sale. The appropriate Cash Register and scanner have already been purchased. Pieter van Dijk has volunteered to enter the data of the present stock as well as all purchases into the system and work out the relevant retail prices.

Training of the volunteers and those Committee members who are likely to work in the shop should have started already. The system should be operational at the end of the financial year, which coincides with the annual stock take.



Robert van Straalen, who has extensive experience in the retail business, will be guiding this process. The benefit of all this new technology is that no longer we should have for sale one product with two different prices; more control over the stock in the shop; and better control over profit margins.

Presidency:

I have informed the Committee that I will step down as president of the Dutch Society Neerlandia at the May Committee Meeting and I think it is my duty to also inform all members of this decision as well.

It was not an easy decision to make or to live with, but as I have indicated in previous issues, it is strictly done for personal reasons.

However, the guilty feeling was eased a bit after I was informed that our secretary Lianna Parker is willing to nominate as Neerlandia’s acting President. That decision can only be made by the Committee, as they can fill casual vacancies when they occur.

However, having worked closely with Lianna during the last few years, I can thoroughly recommend that she should be appointed by the Committee and also voted in as Neerlandia’s first female President at the upcoming AGM in September.

Lianna has marvelous people skills, she can deal equally well with the younger generation as with our older members and she is also great with children.

She has a healthy work ethic and what is more important, she can look outside the square and has great vision and ideas where Neerlandia is going.

I have repeatedly mentioned that the future of Neerlandia lies in the hands of those people we see in the Clubhouse on Friday Nights. And for that to happen, we do need a President who accepts that concept and has the determination to make it happen.

Although I will step out of the Committee all together, I will remain editor of the magazine and will assist the committee with advice or special projects, when asked or when needed.

And of course Joke and I will attend our regular Klaverjas and some other selected events.

But gone is the demand that we have to attend every function or Private Party held at the clubhouse.

This year we held no Mother’s Day function at Neerlandia and for the first time in 16 years Joke and I spent the entire day with our children and grandchildren. Great stuff and a good omen of things to come.

But I am getting ahead of myself. Moving house is first on the agenda and this will take all my available time and energy for a while.

**Pieter Leeftang,
your President**

March Sunday Klaverjas Drive:

This was held on Sunday the 6th of May and 30 players turned up, which meant we had 7 tables with 2 reserve players.

In the end it worked out alright as two players had to leave early.

A few players attended who had not been for quite a while and we hope they enjoyed themselves and will return.

Gerry Creemers once again was the organiser of the event and this will guarantee that the Sunday Drives will remain on Neerlandia's Agenda.

At 11 o'clock play started and after 2 games, lunch was served, which was prepared by Irma and Thea. Thank you on behalf of everyone!

Then it was full on for another 2 games and once the scorecards were completed and handed in, they were checked for correctness before the winners were announced.

The winner of the day was about 152 points clear of the second placegetter with a good score of 7106 points.

Well done Irma van der Kwast.

These winners on the day were:

1st prize:	<i>Irma van der Kwast</i>	7106 points
2nd prize:	<i>Lyn Koedijk</i>	7054 points
3rd prize:	<i>Riet Heyman</i>	6822 points

The next 2 Sunday Drives will be held on Sunday the 10th of June, which is the 2nd Sunday of June and on Sunday the 1st of July.

Pieter Leeftang.

Neerlandia Card Club News:

On Thursday 26th April we concluded our first competition for the year 2012. Although we have a membership of 40 klaverjas players, we usually only see around 30 players turning up on any playing night. Of course there are several reasons for this i.e. holidays, other commitments or because of ill- health. We realise, we are all getting older and this absentee-ism can not be prevented.

The score master has now decided that he will no longer prepare a predetermined table allocation, but he will go back to getting the members, who turn up on the night, to

pick a ticket displaying the table number at which they will be playing. Any player, who draws an incomplete table, will be directed to any of the other tables as "invaller"

In addition to the klaverjas players, we have a further 8 Bolivia players, 4 of which play every week and the other 4 only play once a fortnight. They also experience some absentee-ism which makes it very difficult to find a clear winner for any competition, because there is no set score for players, who are not in attendance, unlike for klaverjassers, who are receiving a score of 4000 points when absent. This has resulted in awarding the competition prize for both tables to one of the players in turn.

The results of the first competition for the year are as follows:

Bolivia Club

Weekly players:

Prize allocated to Mrs M. Mentz \$10

Fortnightly players:

Prize allocated to Mrs T. Bloks \$10

Klaverjas Club

1st prize with a score of 75534 Mr T. Gorter \$25

2nd prize with a score of 74410 Mr P. Segers \$20

3rd prize with a score of 74033 Mrs H. Dingjan \$20

Average score 69968. Closest to it: Mr H. Heyman \$10 (actual score 70157)

Marsen prize with 32 marsen: Mrs R. van Emden \$10

Our congratulations to all the winners and we are looking forward to a successful new competition.

We send our best wishes to those members, who are presently unable to attend due to ill-health and we trust that they will regain their good health very soon.

Murray Koedyk

IN LOVING MEMORY

Passed away on the 30th of April,
A lifelong supporter of Neerlandia

Fenneken de Niet

Our sincere condolences go to her family from the
DJVV (de Jeugd van Vroeger)
and the Dutch Society Neerlandia of WA

Passed away on the 5th of May

Hermine Berloth

Our sincere condolences go to her family from the
DJVV (de Jeugd van Vroeger)
and the Dutch Society Neerlandia of WA



May They Rest in Peace.



Winners are grinners. Lyn Koedijk, who won the 2nd prize and Irma van der Kwast, who won the 1st prize.

Sunday Klaverjas Drives.

*De volgende
Klaverjas Drives
worden gehouden
op Zondag 10 Juni
en Zondag 1 Juli.*

Kosten: \$7.00 per persoon.

Kom gezellig Klaverjassen in het
Neerlandia Clubhuis.

De prijzen zijn tegoed bonnen voor
onze winkel.

Lunch & 2 kopjes Koffie zijn bij de
toegangsprijs
inbegrepen.

Aanvang 11.00

Iedereen is
welkom

**DUTCH IMPORTED LIQUOR**

INMAAK BRANDEWIJN	\$50.00 PER LITER
OUDE Jenever	\$50.00 PER LITER
JONGE Jenever	\$50.00 PER LITER
CITROEN Jenever	\$50.00 PER LITER
BEERENBURG	\$50.00 PER LITER
POLLEN BESSEN Jenever	\$50.00 PER LITER
ZWARTE BESSEN Jenever	\$40.00 PER LITER
CITROEN BRANDEWIJN	\$40.00 PER LITER
KERSEN BRANDEWIJN	\$40.00 PER LITER
MILLWOOD LIQUEUR	\$30.00 per 700 ML
DIKKE ADVOCAT	\$30.00 per 700 ML

AVAILABLE WHEN THE BAR IS OPEN:

DJVV 2nd Thursdays:	10.00 am—2.00 pm
Thursdays Evenings:	7.00 pm—10.30 pm
Organised Functions:	See page 2
Fridays:	10.00 am—1.00 pm

**PRE-ORDERED BOTTLES CAN
ALSO BE COLLECTED WHEN THE
SHOP IS OPEN:**

Every 2nd Tuesday from:
10.00 am—12 noon
Every Wednesday from:
11.00 am—1.00 pm

End of Month Drinks

**The next 2 End of month Drinks will be held
on Friday the 29th of June and on Friday the 27th of July.**

**NEW HOURS! The Bar will be open from 5.30 pm - 9.00 pm,
but the Kitchen will close at 7.30 pm.**

**Come along after work for some relaxation, meet up with old
friends or make new ones and enjoy a Dutch beer or a Dutch snack
or just a cup of coffee!**

Available from our Kitchen:

**Coffee & Dutch Appeltaart! Broodje Krokot! Broodje Frikandel!
Broodje Rookworst! Bitterballen! Chips!**

“Kinder Menus” also available!

The Neerlandia “Winkel” will be open for your convenience!

Everyone welcome - Everyone welcome - Everyone welcome.

From the Secretary's Desk:

If I could write in colour, this article would be in orange! For the End of Month drinks on 27 April, we invited the Dutch Community to join us, dressed or accessorized in orange, to celebrate Koninginnedag.

And celebrate we did! We enjoyed the company of between 200 – 210 people, who filled the lounge and the hall; about 30 kids sat on blankets in the Children's Paradise exchanging games and toys for "Euro's" in the tradition of the Dutch Vrij Markt. Yaolan Liem had, like before, organized the mothers, the children and the colourful invitation to come and play. Excellent work!

The pressure on the bar tenders behind the small bar was such that Ray & Pieter opened the big bar to take the overflow – the kitchen was turning out kroketjes and bitterballen like never before.

Marieke & I could not believe our eyes and we would like to thank all of you who turned up and who made an effort to turn Club House Neerlandia in a heaving mass of orange.

Marieke & I, with the full cooperation of the Committee and our partners, have worked so hard over the last few years to resuscitate Neerlandia and on 27 April it looked as if we are getting somewhere.

That night was also the first time that we had the bar open until 9.00 pm, which proved to be a good move. We are now taking bar duties in shifts on End of Month drinks and if all goes to plan, the kitchen too, will stay open late.

A positive development for sure!

Tony Horsten was supposed to take over from Barrie Parker to do the second bar shift in the

lounge, but Tony was too busy assisting Ray behind the big bar in the hall.

Henri Koldenhoven, the ever present care taker, looked after the change when not carrying new stock of imported beers. And Darren, thank you for racing to IGA to return with 28kg of chips and Ed vd Berg "ook jij bedankt" for taking all those colourful photographs.

Thank you also to Dora, Marion, Anne, Nelly, John, Gerry & Henk for your priceless assistance, thank you volunteers for taking food through and trying to find the appropriate table number! BUT, first and foremost, thank YOU all for coming to the Club and making End of Month drinks the success it is becoming.

Slowly but certainly things are improving at End of Month drinks. If you have not noticed yet, we painted a big Dutch flag on the blind wall in the Children's Paradise, which has resulted in a fresher and more inviting feel. We are now placing café blinds on both sides of the area to keep wind, rain and heat out. That way the area will be even more attractive for children to spend a few hours playing while their parents socialize.

Another sign of time is the addition of Marion Lieshout - Dreijer to the Friday night kitchen staff. Marion is now Dora's understudy and learning fast. As one observant patron noticed, it was good to see the earlier generation Dutch working next to the new one. That is what we envisaged when we started our journey and that is what is happening now.

Of course we realize that we are still down on numbers as far as memberships are concerned but we are working hard on making membership (more) attractive for you. At the same time, although you may not immediately experience the benefits of a Neerlandia membership, your membership will support the Dutch Club and your membership will encourage us to make the Club more attractive for its members.

It's been a long time coming but it looks as if Neerlandia is back on the map within the broader Dutch Community again.

I started this article in colour, I would like to finish on the same note: May the orange glow we saw in the Club on 27 April, symbolize an upcoming sun shining over Neerlandia's future....

GET WELL SOON

To those members who are not feeling too well, who are ill, injured or who are battling a severe illness, the Neerlandia Committee wish you all the very best and above all, a full and speedy recovery.



More from the Secretary's desk & June birthdays

The new look Neerlandia Website:

Samuel Goldwyn, the late American film producer, once said: "The harder I work, the luckier I get".

With this he meant that people often do not appreciate how much hard work goes into getting successful.

It was a bit like that on a Sunday afternoon, not long ago, when I received an e-mail from a sender whose address I did not recognize.

The subject line read: "Neerlandia Website".

As I was fully aware of the fact that our website needed updating I decided to ignore the e-mail that afternoon while working on other Neerlandia related matters. However, at the end of the day I opened the email only to find a proposed new Neerlandia web design made by the teenage son of one of our members.

In the first week of his Easter holidays, Mike Vanderfeltz had designed a new website and sent it to me. In the second week of his Easter holidays, Mike and I worked around the clock to have a new fresh looking website to assist our members and to advise the Dutch Community at large.

Mike now works with the committee to make sure that all the updates are there to make the information as current as possible.

Thank you very much Mike for your enthusiasm and for your hard work – it is great to work with you! How "lucky" are we!

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Can you help?

I don't give up easily, so for the third consecutive month I am asking for people who can paint the ladies' bathroom. A few cracks need filling and the walls need refreshing paint. Obviously the Club provides you with the material and tools – can you provide the club with your time?

Maintenance work is usually done on Friday mornings but if there is a time that suits you better, we'll try to accommodate.

Please contact me : 0419 181 154

**Lianna Parker,
Secretary.**

The following Members will celebrate their birthday during **the month of June 2012.**

We wish them all a very **Happy Birthday !**

Ans van Alphen
William Grove
Gark Lim
Ria Nissen
Riki Schaafsma
Cor Heijmans
Louis Marcus
Dolph Peelen
Ingrid Retuga
Yolanda Strauss
Anton Horsten Sr
Marius van Moorsel
Jan Maasen
Ronald Willson
An Hotz
Beppie van
Maanenber
Els van Rooyen
Bep Tasma
Maartje Stewart-de
Groot
Maria Jansen
Ria Brouwer
John Erkins
Johan Smit
Gerrit Steketee
Fiona Blaauw
Jaap Streppel



If your birthday is not mentioned or the details are not correct, this means that we have the incorrect data entered in our membership database.

Or you may wish that your birthday is not mentioned at all.

To make changes you need to contact our **Membership Administrator:**

Marieke van den Berg.

Her E-mail address is:

mariekevandenber@westnet.com.au

Koninginne Dag at Neerlandia



Orange here, Orange there, Orange everywhere, with a dash of Red White and Blue thrown in for good measure.

Neerlandia celebrated “Koninginne Dag” with the End of the Month Drinks on the Friday and an Open Day on the Sunday.

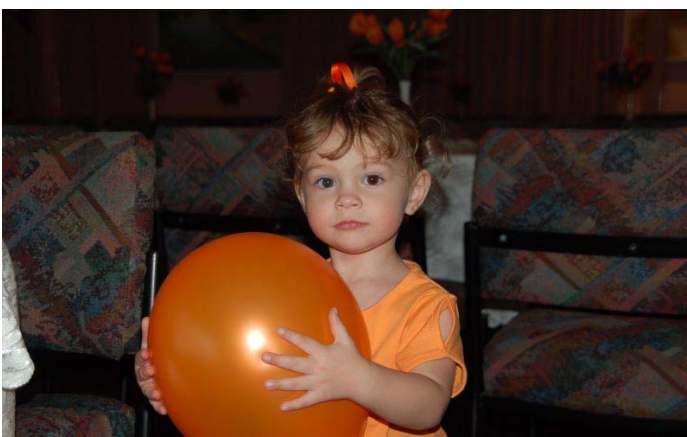
Young and old, families and single people, well over two hundred people turned up on late Friday afternoon the 27th of April to celebrate “Koninginne Dag” at Neerlandia, Clubhouse.

So large was the crowd that we had to open up three areas. The beautifully decorated Childrens Paradise, where the little ones had a “Speelgoed Vrij Markt”; the lounge area where it was rather quiet and peaceful; and the main hall, which was a beehive of activity.

To cope with this unexpected large crowd we had to open the main hall & bar and find additional volunteers for the kitchen to cope. And two days later on the Sunday it was on again, although it seemed quieter, as the attendance was spread over more hours, but we still had well over 120 people that attended during the time we were open.

This popular weekend was so well attended that the bar almost ran out of beer and the kitchen out of frozen food.

It was great to see all those kids having such a marvellous time in our Children’s Paradise. They were happily playing with newly bought toys with



What better way then to show the spirit of Oranje then this cute little girl all decked out in Orange.



I scored a new toy but I don’t quite know how to put it all together

Koninginne Dag at Neerlandia



The Dutch Herring Stall, manned by volunteers in Dutch costume, was a sure winner all weekend



Ray Schaafsma (behind the bar) meets up with an old friend Henk Broerse.



The kitchen was a hive of activity but they got the job done.

pseudo Euro money, a large group of boys were playing old video games (made before they became riddled with violence), the Sjoelbak received a workout and some were busy colouring in. The traditional old Dutch game “Koek Happen” was also a winner.

That the bar and kitchen staff were busy is the understatement of the year but they managed to cope and the festive crowd took it all in their stride if there was a short waiting time for their food. All in all there was a tremendous atmosphere all around.



The Hon. Dutch Consul and our Patron, Arnold Stroobach and Joska also took part in the celebrations.

However, I would like to point out the fact that Neerlandia provided the opportunity for the more recent Dutch arrivals to celebrate this event. But us oldies will not be here forever and some of you need to stand up and do more than just show up on the Fridays evenings. Such as becoming Neerlandia members and get more involved. And a great thank you to all who worked so hard to make the whole weekend a great success.

**Pieter Leeftang,
your President**



The video games created plenty of interest amongst the boys, even though the games they played were oldies.



Thanks heaven it is all over. Tired but “Oh So Happy” were Lianna & Barrie Parker.

Dutch Movie: Oorlogswinter”.

Dutch writer Jan Terlouw wrote the popular novel “Oorlogswinter” and in 2008 work on the movie started.

The time is the severe winter of 1944/45 and depicts the last few month of the war before the liberation of the Netherlands.



Young Michiel is played by the young actor Martijn Lakemeier, who in the movie had to show maturity way beyond his years when he became unwittingly

involved with the resistance movement against the German occupation. But in the small village there were those who sympathised with the Germans and also a sly double agent.

About 65 people were present to watch this very



intriguing and powerful movie. They were not disappointed as the suspense kept them on the edge of their seats.

Prior to the movie everyone was treated to a hearty Chicken Soup and a “Belegd Broodje” and self - service Coffee/ Tea as much as they liked. A thank-you to the Neerlandia kitchen volunteers. Another successful event at Neerlandia.

Pieter Leeftang



DE NEERLANDIA WINKEL

Levensmiddelen en allerlei lekkernijen uit Nederland

- ... Bitterballen, Kroketten & Frikandellen.
- ... Van Wees Rookworst.
- ... Leidse & Goudse Kaas
- ... **Zoute Haring, Gerookte Makreel en Gerookte Paling**
- ... Ontbijtkoek, Gember Koek en Candij Koek
- ... Groenten in glas en in blik
- ... Piccalilly & Zoet-Zure Augurken. (Bommen of Party Sticks)
- ... Zoute Drop, Stroopwafels, Gesorteerde Koekjes & Beschuit
- ... Gestampde Muisjes, Hagelslag, Fruithagel & Chocolade Vlokken
- ... Amandel Koeken, Kano's, Amsterdammers & Speculaasjes en Speculaas Brokken

De Neerlandia Winkel is open op de volgende dagen:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Elke Woensdag | van 10.00 am - 1.00 pm |
| Elke tweede Dinsdag (non - DJVV week) | van 11.00 am - noon |
| Elke tweede Donderdag (DJVV week) | van 11.00 am - 2.00 pm |
| Elke Donderdag avond | van 10.00 pm - 11.00 pm |
| Iedere Vrijdag | van 10.00 am - noon |

De Neerlandia winkel is bemand door vrijwilligers en daarom moeten de bovenstaande tijden een beetje ruim genomen worden

Winter Variety Concert

Presented by:

**The Dutch Singers, the Heimat Choir
and Soloists**

DATE:

Sunday 15 July 2012

Venue:

Neerlandia Clubhouse

Cost:

Members \$10.00, Guests \$12.00

Time:

Doors open 11.00 am. Show starts at 1.00 pm

Refreshments:

The Admission price includes Coffee/Tea.

*Come early as our Kitchen will be open for
Dutch Lunchtime Snacks and Sandwiches.*

Bar service available.



*Please do not miss this fun-filled, fantastic afternoon
by The Dutch Singers and The Heimat Choir, when
they present their repertoire of special songs, which
include German & Viennese Operettas.*

Pre-paid tickets only are available
from the Dutch Singers:

Gerry Creemers: 9356 4207

Alida Reitzenstein: 9384 6161

Please book your tickets early
as seats are limited.





Brunch

Sunday 17 June

On Sunday the 17th of June you are invited to come to Neerlandia and join our delightful "Sunday Brunch".

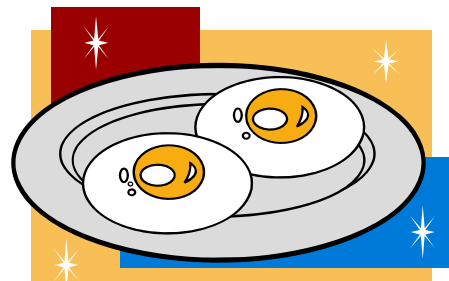
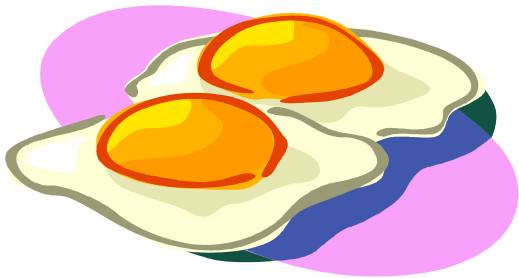
Celebrate a Birthday with the family or invite your friends to join you.

Or ask the Committee of your Social Club to shout you all a Neerlandia Brunch.

Enjoy our Dutch "Uitsmijter" and all sorts of other Dutch Breakfast Foods.

We serve unlimited Coffee, Tea and Orange Juice.

It is great value for the price charged!



Adults: \$12.00

Children: \$ 6.00

**For catering purposes,
pre-payment is necessary
when you make your booking.**

For bookings please contact:

Gerry Creemers on: 9356 4207

E-mail: gerrycreemers@iinet.net.au



June 2012

DUTCH AGED CARE NEWSLETTER

The Official Publication of Dutch Aged Care Western Australia Inc.
To all members and supporters of DACWA

EDITORIAL

Next time when you think that time is going so much faster than it did in the past, you are both right and wrong: it has been discovered that a chemical develops in the human brain whereby, with the progress of age, the perception of time changes. In other words, time still passes at the same speed it always did but we perceive the passing of time as going quicker.

In the past it took us ages to live to the next birthday; it took forever to turn 18 and yet now, if we don't pay attention, we are receiving the next bunch of Christmas Cards while the previous one only just got stacked away.

So here it is again, the second DACWA Newsletter of the year, June 2012 – half way to Christmas!

There is a lot to read and as per usual, the DACWA Team has worked hard to assemble an interesting collection of articles for you to read.

We hope that you will enjoy reading the articles as much as we did compiling them.

Lianna Parker,
DACWA Newsletter Editor

A day in the Office Life of José

When did you start working for DACWA?

I started working for DACWA in September 2009 as a Support Worker; in August 2010 I became a DACWA Coordinator.

What is your position within the organisation?

I am a Community Age Care Coordinator.

What are your responsibilities?

As Coordinators we are responsible to organise flexible, responsive Care packages of services tailored to the individual needs, so that our Clients maintain a secure lifestyle in their own home.

Can you give us key words to describe work involvement with the organisation?

Communication: We have to communicate a lot with our Clients/Clients' family and Support staff.

We also have to communicate with Social Workers, Health Professionals and other providers.

Teamwork: To work together in a great team is what makes this organisation a success.

Describe to us a good day in the office, please?

A good day in the office is when the day tasks are running smoothly and I feel that I have achieved what I had planned. We do get to know our Clients quite well, because we are a small service provider. It makes this job position so much more personal. If the Clients are happy, I am happy!

Do you have bad Office days as well?

Sometimes it feels like I've got out of bed on the wrong side and tasks are just not going as planned.

But most of the time on a day like that, something uplifting happens and as the song goes: "Pack all your trouble in your old kit bag" comes in handy.

If you wanted us to know anything specific or extraordinary about your work, what would that be?

Every day is different and there is a lot to learn. I have fantastic support from my colleague Annegret and our Care Team Manager Regine.

It is a privilege to work with DACWA and with all the lovely people who make this organisation such a great organisation.



DACWA NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

Monthly DACWA Board Meeting - Every 3rd Tuesday of the month.

For details on DACWA Board or DACWA in general, contact Karin on:
9382 4186 or
9382 1983 or
email: dacwa@dacwa.org

Ratatouille Club – every other Thursday.

A friendly get together with light physical and/or mental exercises.
Clients and DACWA members welcome. Participation \$3 per session.
For details contact the CACP Care Team on:
9388 1678 or
9382 1983 or
email: dacwa@dacwa.org

Friends of DACWA End of Month Drinks – Every Last Friday of the Month

From 5.30pm – 9.00pm in the Lounge of Dutch Club “Neerlandia”, 230 Cambridge Street, Wembley

Please note the following **Workshops for Support Workers** in 2012

23 August	OSH/Food safety
15 November	Manual Handling
29 November	Manual Handling

VOLUNTEERS are VALUED

The CVS/HVS volunteers continue to visit residents in Aged Care Facilities and residents' homes.

Volunteers are valued more than they realize with the time they give every week or fortnight to the elderly.

You are never too old to volunteer: we have volunteers in their 90s.

A lot of our volunteers are able to share their skills and stories with others.

Making a difference in other peoples' lives makes you feel wanted in the community. Volunteering helps you to meet many other people. We have had volunteers meet one another at our social functions and they have become good friends. Being flexible is the key to volunteering. It is amazing how your life can change and your outlook on life can change by volunteering in any small way.

Are you interested in volunteering for DACWA? Please contact CVS/HVS Co-ordinator Joyce to discuss the details with her.

Contact details: 93824186 email: cvs@dacwa.org

This Newsletter is put together again with the efforts of DACWA Staff and Board Members. We endeavor to brief you on developments within Aged Care on State and Federal level and on day-to-day business within the DACWA organization.

DACWA welcomes submissions to this Newsletter. To be considered for publication, the article must be written in the English language and the contents of the article must promote DACWA's philosophy. Submissions may be edited for clarity. You can submit your article to the DACWA Office or email it to: officeManager@dacwa.org.

Your ideas and comments are always welcome. Please do not hesitate to submit your feedback by email to or in writing to any member of the DACWA Office Staff.

Lianna Parker

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AGED CARE NEWS

On Friday 20 April 2012 Prime Minister Julia Gillard and the Minister for Ageing, Mark Butler, announced in a press release a 10-year plan to reshape aged care, beginning 1 July 2012. This reform package is called "Living Longer Living Better" and has been long overdue.

For at least two years there has been a lot of pressure on the Australian Government by those in the aged care industry when finally in August 2011 the Australian Government formally released the report Productivity Commission's (PC) report 'Caring for Older Australians'. The PC has recommended a comprehensive overhaul of the aged care system to facilitate greater levels of choice, innovation and responsiveness, whilst ensuring there will be equity of access to care. Importantly, the report recognises the need for consumers to be able to have more control over their service environment. During the past two years there has been a lot of activity in the Aged Care Industry in regards to the fight for aged care reform.

At the same time the Essential Report on Australians' knowledge of aged care matters, released by the National Aged Care Alliance, showed:

... 80% of participants are aware that Australia has an ageing population (The predictions are that by 2050, nearly 25% of all Australians will be over 65, compared with 13% today)

... 80% of participants think the Federal government is not prepared to provide the services and support for Australia's ageing population, with more than a third who think the government is 'not at all prepared'.

Two thirds of participants think it is more important to fund aged care reform than return a budget surplus.

Some highlights taken from the mentioned press release are:

The 10-year plan to reshape aged care will begin 1 July 2012 and the Government will deliver the \$3.7 billion Living Longer Living Better plan to deliver more choice, easier access and better care for older Australians and their families.

To make it easier for older Australians to stay in their home while they receive care, we will:

Increase the number of Home Care Packages- from 59,876 to almost 100,000 (99,669).

Provide tailored care packages to people receiving home care, and new funding for dementia care.

Cap costs, so that full pensioners pay no more than the basic fee.

To make sure more people get to keep their family home, and to prevent anyone being forced to sell their home in an emergency fire sale, we will:

Provide more choice about how to pay for care. Instead of a bond which can cost up to \$2.6 million and bears no resemblance to the actual cost of accommodation, you will be able to pay through a lump sum or a periodic payment, or a combination of both.

Give families time to make a decision about how to pay, by introducing a cooling-off period.

Cap care costs, with nobody paying more than \$25,000 a year and no more than \$60,000 over a lifetime.

From now on the system will be fairer, based on capacity to pay. The amount you pay for aged care services will be capped and underpinned by tightened means testing, meaning older Australians will not be forced into a fire sale of the family home in order to get access to aged care.

This will not affect the million people already in the system, who will not pay a cent more than they would have under the current arrangements.

To ensure there are immediate improvements as well, the government will also:

Increase residential aged care places from 191,522 to 221,103

Fund \$1.2 billion to improve the aged care workforce through a Workforce Compact.

Provide more funding for dementia care in aged care, and more support for services.

Establish a single gateway to all aged care services, to make them easier to access and navigate.

Set stricter standards, with greater oversight of aged care.

These reforms will enable older Australians to get the help they both need and deserve so they can remain living in their own homes for as long as possible. Labor's plan will help older Australians keep their own home for as long as they want.

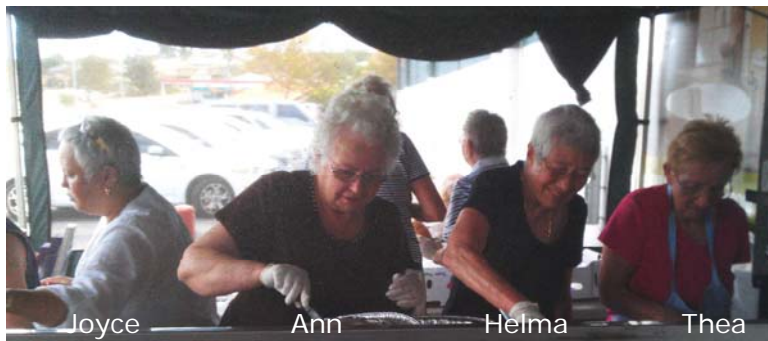
They replace an aged care system designed a quarter of a century ago and which is now ill-equipped to meet the needs of retiring baby boomers and their parents who are living longer and healthier lives.

DACWA NEWSLETTER

SAUSAGE SIZZLE HELD ON 24 MARCH

Every one involved with DACWA is aware of DACWA's constant search for extra funds to assist the elderly. Due to an innovative initiative of the DACWA staff and the enthusiasm of its volunteers, the sausage sizzle, held on 24 March in front of Bunnings in Innaloo turned out to be a major success. Initially the supply of volunteers offering assistance to work behind the bbq on a Saturday, did not look promising yet on the day itself there were enough of us to make the day a great one. Thank you everyone for your time and efforts – have a look at the photographs to see how we did!
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/20299790@N05/sets/72157629939084621/>

Joyce



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The principal aim of Dutch Aged Care (WA) Inc shall be to assist in maintaining or improving the quality of life of persons who are aged and living in the Perth (WA) metropolitan area and who identify with the Dutch or German speaking culture.



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**New members
summer 2012**

Mrs Ursula Sigston

DACWA NEWSLETTER

March Workshop – Role Boundaries

So often in a (work/volunteering) situation it proves to be difficult to set a boundary. Therefore, we listened with interest (and with our workbooks in hand) to a presentation on Role Boundaries. The subject appeared relevant when a lively interaction developed between team leaders Ben Andrews & Patrizia Santoriello from The Futures Group and “the floor”, 30 attentive DACWA volunteers who attended the March 2012 workshop on Role Boundaries. As everyone admitted to struggle with setting of boundaries and adhering to it, it became apparent that Joyce had again chosen a subject that we could all relate to.

The exercises appeared to be useful and the contents of the workshop proved to be encouraging and coaching for the volunteers.

Summarizing, an assertive attitude maintained by a volunteer, eventually leads to providing a better service to the client.

More details about this subject AND the workbook are available from Joyce during DACWA office hours from Monday to Thursday.

Lianna
Volunteer

From the CVS/HVS Desk

All our volunteers are from Dutch or German speaking backgrounds and are very loyal to their work with the Community Visitors Scheme (CVS) and Home Visitors Scheme (HVS). They are not only passionate about their volunteering but show also great compassion and understanding to residents they visit, this works in very positive ways. To know that a resident is feeling good and happy with their life is very important to our volunteer and gives the extra incentive to continue to visit.

At present DACWA is funded for 39 CVS volunteers but we have 62 volunteers actively visiting. This is going to sound confusing but our volunteering group visits a total of 58 residents in Nursing Homes as well as 22 people who are still living in their own homes. From these figures you can work out that quite a few volunteers make various visits.

On a weekly base we receive inquiries for more visitors but unfortunately, at this moment, we need to waitlist those request for our CVS program, due to lack of funding. Our HVS program is entirely self-funded, there is no waitlist but we need to be careful with the way we spent our money. DACWA is always fundraising for this program and is depending on donations from the community to keep this program going and growing.

An important part of my job is to insure that the match between volunteer and resident is a good one. Due to our cultural diversity we are in the position to make excellent matches for the residents. I also organize that the volunteers fill in for each other while they are on holidays or when a fellow volunteer is not well, whenever possible. This is to protect the continuity of visits. The residents really look forward to the volunteer visits and often ask ‘for more’ if possible.

Residents lose their partner and friends due to age, they look forward to visits from their volunteer or while their health is failing, their volunteer is the only outside contact. They see their volunteer often as a substitute for family members who live overseas or interstate. They are not alone; there is someone who looks after them, which also gives the family peace of mind. It is that compassion of the volunteer what makes him/her so important in the life of an aging resident.

There are no language barriers because our volunteers are able to converse in the language of the resident, may it be English, German, Dutch, South African, Swiss or Austrian, when residents revert to their mother tongue. You see the difference a volunteer can make to the life of a resident, the touch, the psychological impact and the social interaction - they prove so beneficial like understanding the cultural back ground when the resident feels depressed, lonely or isolated, because for instance family connections that don't work well. Treating each other with mutual dignity and respect makes the bonding between the volunteer and the resident a strong one, it touches their inner core. It works both ways though, as the resident becomes more sociable and talkative and the volunteer who feels that it is all worth it. Reminisce, sharing a story, an experience, a burst of laughter or enjoying something to eat from the home country, keeping the resident up-to-date with the happenings in the Austrian, Dutch and German Club or to take a Dutch quarterly magazine for the resident to read or if that is impossible to read to the resident.

Our volunteers make us proud for what they are, passionate about what they do, and the compassion they radiate!

Joyce
CVS/HVS Coordinator

The Cake town of Deventer



DEVENTER

It is a municipality and city in the Salland region of the Dutch province of Overijssel. Deventer is largely situated on the east bank of the river IJssel, but also has a small part of its territory on the west bank. Population 98615 (1 FEB 2012). In 2005 the municipality of Bathmen (population 5,000) was merged with Deventer as part of a national effort to reduce bureaucracy in the country.

HISTORY– Middle Ages

Deventer was probably founded around 768 by the English missionary Lebuinus, who built a wooden church on the east bank of the river IJssel. This was not the first human settlement at the location; from the Bronze Age to about 400 AD, there was a settlement at Colmschate, 4 km east of the city centre. Remains of this settlement were excavated between 1981 and 2006.

The village of Deventer, already important because of a trading road crossing the river IJssel, was looted and burnt down by the Vikings in 882. It was immediately rebuilt and fortified with an earthen wall (in the street *Stenen Wal* remains of this wall have been excavated and restored).

Deventer received city rights in 956, after which fortifications were built or replaced by stone walls around the city for defence. Between 1000 and 1500, Deventer grew to be a flourishing trade city because of its harbour on the river IJssel, which was capable of accommodating large ships.



Old City Wall

One of the commodities it traded in, were dried haddock and cod from Norway. It gave the citizens the nickname they carry to this day: "Deventer Stokvis". In the 15th century, Deventer had a common mint, where coins for the three IJssel cities Deventer, Zwolle, and Kampen were made.

Deventer is the place of birth of Geert Groote and home to his Brethren of the Common Life, a school of religious thought that was of great influence on Thomas Kempis and Erasmus in later times. Together with Haarlem it was among the first cities to have printing presses, dating back to as early as 1477. From around 1300, it also housed a Latin School, which became internationally renowned and remained in service in changing forms until 1971. Its most famous pupil was the scholar Desiderius Erasmus, who was born in 1466 and attended the school from 1475 to 1484. He was a Dutch Renaissance humanist, Catholic priest, social critic, teacher, and theologian.

16TH–20TH CENTURY

Between 1500 and 1800, the mass of water flowing through the IJssel decreased, decreasing the importance of Deventer's harbour. The competition with trade centres in Holland, as well as the religious war between 1568 and 1648, brought a decline in the city's economy.



Koninklijke Tapijfabriek

In the 18th century, the iron industry came to Deventer. East of the town, so-called "oer", riversand containing iron, was found as early as 900. From this material, ore was produced and brought to town. The main road of the villages Okkenbroek, Lettele and Schalkhaar is still named Oerdijk (Ore Dyke).

In the 19th century, Deventer became an industrial town. Bicycles (Burgers), carpets (Koninklijke Deventer Tapijfabriek), tins and cans for food and drinks (Thomassen & Drijver), cigars (Horst & Maas en Bijdendijk & Ten Hove), foundry and heavy machinery (Nering Bögel) and textiles (Ankersmit) were produced until the mid to late 20th century. Some of these industries are still thriving today, such as beds and accessories (Auping) and publishing (Wolters-Kluwer, now with headquarters in Amsterdam)

WORLD WAR II

Deventer has seen few military engagements throughout its long history, although it was a garrison city of the Dutch cavalry. The industrial area and harbour were bombed heavily during World War II. The city centre has been largely spared, thus offering a view that has remained largely unchanged for the past few centuries. The female Jewish poet and writer Etty Hillesum lived in Deventer during the war before being deported to Auschwitz.

The Cake town of Deventer

DEVENTER TODAY

De Waag (1528)

Deventer has its own Leaning Tower of Pisa. The building 'De Waag' leans over quite substantial.

It is a monumental building that now accommodates the Historical Museum Deventer and the Tourist Information Office.

It is located on the edge of the market square "De Brink".

On the outside of the building, there is a large pot hanging on the wall. The local coin maker was boiled alive in it for stealing the towns silver - that'll teach him?

'De Brink' has houses, shops, and cafes dating from 1575-1900.

Deventer was a member of the Hanseatic League, an economic alliance of trading cities and their guilds that dominated trade along the coast of Northern Europe in the later Middle Ages.



De Waag (Weighbridge)

OLDEST HOUSE IN THE NETHERLANDS

In Deventer stands the oldest house in the Netherlands. Not to be confused with the oldest house in Holland, which you can find in Dordrecht. This one is really much older. It has been there for at least a thousand years, at least parts of it are, although much has changed and little is left. Unfortunately you can't get in, so you must content yourself with looking at part of the outside walls.



Oldest house

INDUSTRY

The city's trade and industry is still of some importance.

Besides the famous cake maker, the city is also known for its media facilities and graphics industry, Deventer also has machine shops and foundries.

The city is host to a factory producing central heating systems and still has offices of editor and publisher Wolters-Kluwer, which is a major player in international scientific and legal publishing.

DEVENTER KOEK (cake)

The city's most famous foodstuff is "Deventer Koek", which can be purchased in the Koekhuisje (Cookie House) at 84 Brink.

Deventer cake is very famous. It is made after a secret centuries old recipe and has been made since the 15th century.

This store is since 1958 officially named "Koekhuisje", the Deventer cake store.

In the store hangs a painting of Napoleon visiting the cake store.

From the old days, Deventer is known as a Cake town and in the Cake shop in Deventer all Bussink Deventer cake products are sold.

Bussink is the brand with the most history within Continental Bakeries.



Koekhuisje

During the production of the movie A Bridge Too Far all of the scenes taking place in nearby Arnhem were filmed in Deventer - as Arnhem itself had lost most of its historic centre during WWII.



Cosy al fresco terrace on Brink



The Harbour and the Lebuinus church



Rijsterborgher Park

Compiled by Lou Dingjan with information from the internet.



Laughter is still the best medicine



CATHOLIC COFFEE MORNING IN ROME:

Four old Catholic men and a Catholic woman were having coffee in St. Peters Square.

The first Catholic man tells his friends: "My son is a priest, when he walks into a room, everyone calls him: 'Father'."

The second Catholic man chirps: "My son is a Bishop. When he walks into a room people call him: 'Your Grace'."

The third Catholic gent says: "My son is a Cardinal. When he enters a room everyone bows their head and says: 'Your Eminence'."

The fourth Catholic man says very proudly: "My son is the Pope. When he walks into a room people call him: 'Your Holiness'."

The woman was sipping her coffee in silence. One of the four men give her a subtle, "Well....?" She proudly replies:

I have a daughter, red hair,
TALL & SLIM, 40 D Breasts
24" WAIST and 34" HIPS
When she walks into a room,
people say:
Oh MY God!



Old Cemeteries, some fascinating inscriptions on old tombstones!

Harry Edsel Smith of Albany , New York:
Looked up the elevator shaft to see if the car was on the way down. It was.

In Thurmont, Maryland:
Here lies an Atheist, all dressed up
and no place to go.

On the grave of Ezekial Aikle in
East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova Scotia:
Here lies Ezekial Aikle, Age 102.
Only the good die young.

In a London cemetery:
Here lies Ann Mann, who lived an old maid
but died an old Mann. Dec. 8, 1767

In a Ribbesford, England:
Anna Wallace
The children of Israel wanted bread,
And the Lord sent them manna.
Clark Wallace wanted a wife,

And the Devil sent him Anna.

In a cemetery in Ruidoso, New Mexico:
Here lies Johnny Yeast.
Pardon him for not rising.

In a Uniontown, Pennsylvania:
Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake,
Stepped on the gas instead of the brake.

In a Silver City , Nevada:
Here lays The Kid,
We planted him raw.
He was quick on the trigger,
But slow on the draw.

A lawyer's epitaph in England:
Sir John Strange.
Here lies an honest lawyer,
and that is Strange.

John Penny's epitaph in the Wimborne, England:
Reader, if cash thou art in want of any,
Dig 6 feet deep and thou wilt find a Penny.

In a cemetery in Hartscombe:
On the 22nd of June, Jonathan Fiddle went out of
tune.

Anna Hopewell's grave in Vermont:
Here lies the body of our Anna,
Done to death by a banana.
It wasn't the fruit that laid her low,
But the skin of the thing that made her go.

On a grave from the 1880s in Nantucket,
Massachusetts:
Under the sod and under the trees,
Lies the body of Jonathan Pease.
He is not here, there's only the pod,
Pease shelled out and went to God.

In a cemetery in England :
Remember man, as you walk by,
As you are now, so once was I.
As I am now, so shall you be,
Remember this and follow me.
To which someone replied by writing on the
tombstone:
To follow you I'll not consent,
Until I know which way you went.

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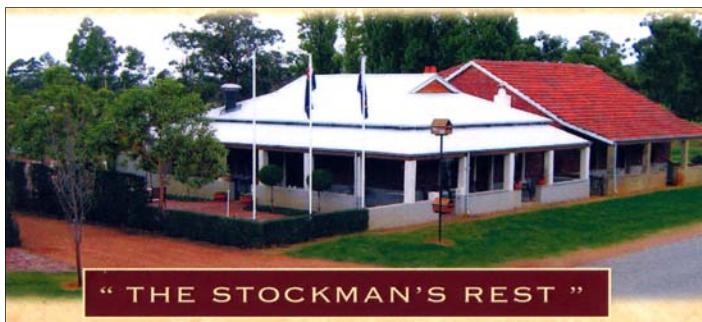
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"Waarom heb je nou zes kratten bier meegenomen?"

Zegt de man: "Ze hadden eieren!"

De laatste wens van OMA

Oma wordt 90 jaar...!!!

Haar kinderen en kleinkinderen geven een groot feest voor haar.

Zij vragen haar: 'Moeder, heb je nog een wens?'

'Ja,' zegt Moeder, 'als ik dood ga, wil ik gecremeerd worden.'

'Ok,' zeggen de kinderen, 'dat regelen wij voor u.'

'Maar heb je niets anders te wensen?'

'Nee,' zegt Moeder, 'ik heb toch alles.'

'Ja, maar wij willen graag iets speciaals doen.'
zeggen de kinderen.

'Och ja,' zegt Moeder, 'als ik dood ben en gecremeerd, strooi mijn as dan maar uit over de parkeerplaats van de ALDI.'

'Waarom nou bij de ALDI, Moeder?', vragen de kinderen.

'Ja, dan weet ik zeker dat jullie een of twee keer per week langs komen...'.....

Een telefoontje !

Met het Academisch Ziekenhuis Maastricht
Ik zou graag met iemand spreken die me kan inlichten over de toestand van een patiënt die bij u verpleegd wordt.

Hoe is de naam van de patiënt ?

Louis Peters.

Een ogenblik a.u.b., ik verbind u door met de verpleging.

Met de wachtdienst, wat kan ik voor u doen ?

Ik zou graag weten hoe het gesteld is met de gezondheidstoestand van Louis Peters in kamer 302.
Een ogenblikje, ik verbind u door met de dokter van dienst.

Met de dokter van dienst.

Dag dokter, ik had graag geweten hoe het gaat met mijnheer Louis Peters die al drie weken bij u verpleegd wordt in kamer 302.

Een ogenblikje, ik zal zijn dossier even raadplegen.
Hier heb ik het.

Hij heeft vandaag goed gegeten, zijn bloeddruk en hartslag zijn normaal, hij reageert goed op de voorgeschreven medicatie en morgen nemen we de hartmonitor weg.

Als alles zo nog 48 uur gunstig verder evolueert zal zijn behandelende arts hem waarschijnlijk uit het ziekenhuis ontslaan voor het volgende weekend.
Dat is fantastisch nieuws, ik ben ongelooflijk opgelucht. Bedankt dokter, van harte bedankt.

Zo te horen bent u wel erg begaan met de patiënt.
Dichte familie?

Nee, nee dokter, ik ben Louis Peters zelf. Ik bel u vanuit kamer 302.

Iedereen loopt hier mijn kamer in en uit maar niemand zegt verdomme iets.

Ik wou zelf ook eens weten hoe het met mij gesteld is.....

Ene blondine zegt tegen de ander: 'Dit jaar valt Kerstmis op een vrijdag'...

Zegt de ander: 'Oh! hopelijk niet op de 13de!!'

Gesprek tussen twee blondjes:

'Ik heb gisteren een zwangerschapstest gedaan'...Zegt de ene.

De andere vraagt verwondert: 'En waren de vragen moeilijk??'

Een blondje krijgt een tweeling en huilt ononderbroken.

De verpleegster vraagt: 'Waarom huil je eigenlijk?'

Je hebt twee prachtige baby's!'

'Ja, maar ik weet niet van wie die tweede is!!'

Hij: 'Heb jij met een andere man geslapen?'

Zij: 'Ik heb alleen geslapen met jou schat, bij die andere was ik wakker'.....

Vraagt het ene blondje aan de andere: 'Wat denk jij is dichterbij? De maan of Parijs?'

Zegt de andere: 'De maan natuurlijk! Of kan jij Parijs van hier zien misschien !?!'

Een Belg komt een café binnen en vraagt: Waar is het toilet?'

De eigenaar antwoordt: 'Die is verstopt.'

En de Belg zegt: ' Allee ik vind em . '

Computers and Plans for a Re-Union

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Sailor's Wives in the 1600's

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For many people, life was very hard. Fifty percent of the population lived at subsistence level and had just enough food and shelter to survive, some were lucky to receive alms, some were reduced to begging or having to resort to prostitution. The average lifespan was shorter than today, life expectancy at birth was an average of 35 years and many died at childbirth. Up to one half of the newborn died before reaching the age of 16, but if you reached that age you would probably reach your fifties or sixties and the healthy ones made it into their seventies and even eighties. It could be said that the average age of marriage for the male was 27 and for the bride a year younger.

The introduction to this article was written to make my readers realize how fortunate we are to live right now, some 400 years later. In the case of the Republic, the sea played a dominant part in the lives of those in the 17th century, the golden age of a small Dutch nation and I quote hereby Annette de Wit: 'Zeemans vrouwen aan het werk':- In seafaring communities in the Dutch Republic, women were in majority throughout the year, as the male population worked at sea. Due to the low and irregular incomes of their husbands, most wives of sailors and fishermen had to work, in order to survive. Many women worked in the trade and industry connected to shipping. Their possibilities were limited by local laws and guild-regulations and their husband's work, social rank and income, all were important for their chances on the labour market. In the course of the seventeenth century the position of women on the local labour market worsened due to changes within the shipping and fishing industries.



The beginning of the VOC.

These observations apply mainly for the provinces of the Republic in the 17th and 18th centuries bordering the sea and even though many foreigners, mainly in the VOC (Verenigde Oost-Indische Compagnie) and WIC (West-Indische Compagnie) as well as the navy had mustered as sailors, the majority of the sailors were drawn from the local population. Many sailors were married and were the main source of income for the family. In those

days, married and underage (under 25) women could not lawfully act on their own and needed a male guardian, however, when she was widowed, she could transact business on her own. Living in 'occupational widowhood' were those, married to sailors away for up to a year or longer, most of them in the service of the VOC or WIC. Already since the 15th century, many of the sailors were involved in coastal fishery, catching plaice (schol), of which the dried variety was in great demand in the German hinterland and of course herring. A winner was that Willem Beukelszoon of Biervliet invented 'haring-kaken' or gutting in the 14th century, making it possible to extend the herring's shelf-life and to build a successful export business to the Baltic, France, England, Flanders and the German States. The fishing of herring is mainly in the summer months and it is fortunate that Kabeljauw or Cod fishing is done in wintertime, making it a year-round industry. Also wale catching in the Arctic was developing into an important section of the maritime wealth and power of the Republic.

Associated with the fishing industry was ship-building and its maintenance, not forgetting knotting of the many nets required and cask making for salted herring.

As a result of the risky life of sailors, a woman was the head of the family in nearly one third of all families where the man went to sea and of that one fifth were widows. Records of those days, now far behind us, show that only about 70% of the seafaring males had been married, due to the low payment of those in employ of the VOC and WIC, which made it near impossible to support a family.

With shore-fishery (kust-visserij), small and relative cheap vessels sailed out early morning and returned during the afternoon. On arrival the catch was auctioned, the skipper receiving the proceeds which he distributed to the crew according to their agreed part in the catch. Normally women then packed their husband's share of fish in a basket to offer it for sale going from door to door. It was custom that each crew member brought their own nets and fishing gear. On occasion a widow owned the vessel and then one of her relations would skipper the ship. When storms blew up when the fleet was out, some



Sailor's Wives in the 1600's

be drawn up by her husband in which he appointed his wife as his deputy for as long as he was at sea. In that case she could sell goods, could head a ship-building yard, run a cooper business as well as receiving inheritance and selling or purchasing a house. As time went on, local government regulated the net-making industry whereby women and their daughters were employed in the manufacture and inspection of nets, thereby working in designated workshops, so called 'telhuizen' (counting houses), for six ten-hour-days per week in summertime, and six-hour-days in wintertime. The women were paid by skippers buying new nets or collecting nets brought in for repair as well as for fishing lines and bait. So called 'opreders' (merchants) bought outright new nets and lines to re-sell these again; towards the end of the 17th century, these merchants united in a guild. Only men, or widows of 'opreders' were accepted as guild members, but in effect skipper's wives actually operated the business. Next to nets and lines, also other necessities were supplied by fisher's wives like food and beverages and it was the skipper's wife's responsibility to supply their husband's vessel with the necessary before sailing out on their fishing venture. Women inherited their drowned husband's fishing vessel(s) and became owner/operators themselves, hiring family members or outsiders to skipper their ships. Widowed women placed themselves in the shoes of their erstwhile husbands and became book-keepers and traders in their own right. This



was all in contrast to the wives husbands who were part of the lowest ranking crew, the so-called 'before-the-mast-lot'. These unfortunates were condemned to poverty and with some luck, could register as a resident with a poor-relief (armenzorg) organisation established in their city or town. The income of their husband was then transferred to the poor-relief office, which also organised work for these women like sewing and spinning, which could be done at home together with daughters and so making life a bit easier. On the whole, life was easier for sailors' widows in the smaller harbour towns than in the big ones like Amsterdam for instance. In the latter it often happened that a VOC crew member prior to his departure for the Indies, had to board his wife in a brothel, so at least she had a roof over her head. Others found work as a live-in servant. Especially in the busy

harbour cities, women played an important role in recruitment of crew for the VOC by operating as 'zielverkoper' for men looking for work, accommodating them in a lodgement, feeding them and at times supplying a women consort. Then when these men run up a debt, finding a VOC ship for them to enlist as crew and when enlisted, made them to sign a document in which they allowed their wages to be transferred to the 'zielverkoper' to the tune of their debt. These documents could then be sold to merchants, who could trade them in a special market for this type of business.

Many sea-going families lived on credit with the baker and grocer and nearly all were cultivating their own vegetable garden and often the women were helping each other exchanging surplus produce against clothing or chickens. Many took in paying lodgers, thus helping with extra income to pay their way, others earned a little on the side with prostitution, others again selling illegal knitted fishing nets.

Children as from early age also had to contribute to the family income. With all the extras earned by women, they still were very dependent on the income from their husbands. At the time when the tax collectors arrived to collect their dues, they were often told to come back again when their husbands had returned from sea.

Through pirate activities from Duinkerken, and Morocco (Barbariye) women often lost their husbands as prisoners and could only retain their freedom on payment of prize-money. When in times of war it was too dangerous or



even prohibited to sail out for fishing, the sailors in order to bring in some money, simply had to muster as crew on one

of the Republic's warships, with all the life-threatening hazards attached to this, especially during a cannonade, when cannon fire splintered gun-whales, with musket balls flying around, wounding and killing many in the din and smoke.

It is however a fact, that a woman's life in the 1600 and 1700 timeframe was a lot easier for those in higher positions like steersman, skipper, lieutenant, captain or admiral, thereby not forgetting the lucky ones who were the consort of successful merchants and ruling elite of the Republic of the Seven Provinces.

They lived their lives in luxury in those beautiful homes along the river Vecht, along the many canals of Amsterdam, in the harbour cities around the old Zuiderzee, buildings we still admire in our present days.

Gerard Woerlee.

Challenging puzzles by the puzzle Wizard

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	16		12		26		9		12		7		21	

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			I			G						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

CODEBREAKER PUZZLE



How to play the Game:

A Codebreaker is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number represents the same letter all the time in this puzzle. All you have to do is find out which letter is represented by which number!

The codes for only 2 letters are revealed in this puzzle. When you have entered these letters throughout the puzzle, you should have enough information to start guessing your first word and also discover other letters. If you are unsure, use a pencil, then you can always erase mistakes.

The last Codebreaker was not one of the easiest, but once you found the words "Momentum & Tenet", you were on the way.

The March solution was:

A=15; B=10; C=23; D=4; E=21; F=22; G=16; H=3; I=8; J=14; K=17; L=5; M=18; N=7; O=24; P=1; Q=12; R=26; S=13; T=26; U=11; V=25; W=2; X=20; Y=9; Z=19.

Sudoku

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers in the boxes to satisfy only one condition: each row, each column and each 3x3 box must contain one each of the digits 1 through 9.

Sudoku - Easy

		5	6		7		2	1
	3	2			4	6		
9		6	3			8		
8					6			
	2	7	1	8	5	4	9	
			2					5
		1			8	9		3
		8	4			2	6	
7	4		9		2	5		



Sudoku - Moderate

	1			4	9		2	
			5			4		8
4				6				7
		6						4
	9	1				3	7	
7						9		
9			1					6
1		2			5			
	4		9	3			1	

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